

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application. The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office action, and amended as necessary to more clearly and particularly describe the subject matter that Applicant regards as the invention.

Reconsideration of the subject patent application in view of the present remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 are amended.

Claim 7 is cancelled.

Claims 4 and 7 are allowable.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1 and 2 have been amended to comply with 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Thus, the rejection as it applies to claims 1 and 2 is moot.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

Claims 1-3, 5 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Juijve (US 2005/0157971 A1).

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Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate all of the limitations of the allowable claim 7.
Thus, the amended claim 1 should be allowable.

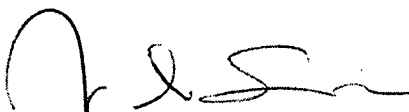
Claims 2-3, 5 and 6 which are dependent from claim 1 should also be allowable for at least the same reason.

In consideration of the foregoing analysis, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. NGB 39645.

Respectfully submitted,

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